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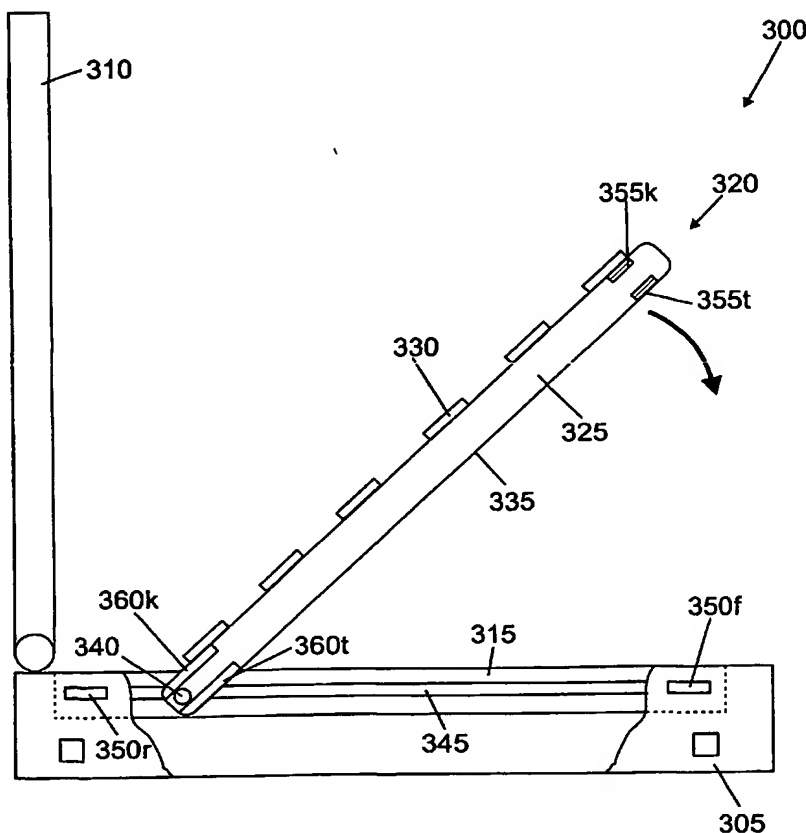
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(54) Title: A PERIPHERAL DEVICE FOR A DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM



(57) **Abstract:** A peripheral device (320) for use in a data processing system (300) is proposed. The peripheral device includes a panel (320) carrying a mechanical keyboard (330) and a touch-screen (335) on opposed surfaces. The panel may be turned upside down, so as to make available either the keyboard or the touch-screen. In this way, the keyboard may be used when working with applications doing ordinary computing work; in addition, the touch-screen may be used as an alternative input/output unit that is configurable to meet the needs of different applications. For example, the touch-screen displays a colored console when playing games, a navigation toolbar when surfing on the INTERNET, a piano keyboard when playing music, and so on.